

Amendments to the Specification

Replacement of section entitled "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT:"

Please delete the section of the specification entitled "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT," and replace the deleted section with the replacement section entitled "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT," as follows:

Delete...

~~DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT~~

~~Referring now to FIGS. 1 and 2, the handles comprising of a post base 1 a post collar 3 and adjustment strap 4, an adjustment strap lock 5, and an adjustable strap handle 2. Referring now to FIGS 3, 4 and 5, the body board handles comprising of the post base 1 the post collar 3 the post neck 6 the adjustment strap 4 the strap handle 2 the strap lock 5 and the strap base 7. Referring now to FIGS 6 and 7, the body board handles 8, two handle assemblies 2 with a front side 10 with a wrist strap 11 with a wrist strap cable 9 with four mounting posts 3.~~

~~The handle assemblies 2, which can be mounted through the board with a mounting neck 3. The body board handles can also embody a wrist strap 11 with the attached cable 9. The body board handles will be forwardly mounted 10 on the device to assist in control and balance.~~

Replace with...

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

Referring now to FIGS. 1, 2, 4 and 8 the handles comprising of a one-piece nylon strap 4, 12 looped and connected by a plastic buckle 5, with a handle 2 attached to the top portion of the strap 4, 12. Referring now to FIGS 3, 5 and 8, there are two mounting holes 13 through the bottom portion of the strap 4, 12, whereby the handle assembly can be attached to a bodyboard by inserting industry standard plastic leash anchors, connectors or screws 1, 3, 6 through the mounting holes 13 and through the bodyboard. The industry standard plastic leash anchors, connectors or screws, which generally consist of a male and female coupling 3, 6, are screwed together and tightened to secure the handle assembly to the bodyboard. FIG. 7 shows a side view of a handle assembly attached to the top of a bodyboard.

The handles include a plastic buckle 3 on the rear end to enable the nylon strap 4, 12 to be pulled through the buckle 5 and tightened, and adjusted to the rider's hand size and comfort.

As shown in FIGS. 6 & 7, the handles 8 can be forwardly mounted on a bodyboard 10 to assist in control and balance. However, the handles can be placed anywhere on a bodyboard, in any position, in accordance with the individual preference of the bodyboard rider. The handles are intended to be used to enhance maneuverability, control and safety of a bodyboard.

The handles are not incorporated inside of the board, but are free-standing. The handles are intended to be an accessory or attachment that can be easily added to, or removed from, any commercial or non-commercial bodyboard or boogie board using the industry standard leash anchors, connectors or screws 1, 3, 6. The leash anchors, connectors or screws mentioned in this description are currently widely used in the surfing and bodyboard industry to attach wrist or ankle leashes 9, 11 to a surfboard, bodyboard, boogie board, or the like.